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NABARD FUNDING FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS AND BRIDGES
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether NABARD is providing financial assistance to the State Governments for the construction of roads and bridges;

(b) if so, the State-wise funds provided for this purpose during each of the last three years, particularly to Bihar;

(c) whether some State Governments had asked for loan from NABARD for constructing metallic link roads in the rural areas;

(d) if so, the State-wise details thereof and the reaction of the NABARD in this regard; and

(e) the State-wise number of roads/bridges for which construction work has been started/is likely to be started with the assistance of NABARD?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANANT G. GEETE)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development (NABARD) provides financial assistance to State Governments for the construction of roads and bridges under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF).The state-wise details of the funds sanctioned for the purpose during each of the last three years are given in Annexure-I.

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. NABARD has reported that only the Government of Nagaland has been sanctioned an amount of Rs.25.04 crore loan for constructing metallic link roads in the rural areas. NABARD selectively sanctions such projects, keeping in view the location and infrastructure availability in the State.

(e): The State-wise details of the number of roads and bridges for which construction work has been started/is likely to be started with loans under RIDF are furnished in Annexure-II.